

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize young men who have excelled during their association with the Boy Scouts of America program with its emphasis on physical, mental, and spiritual growth; self-reliance; personal values; service to others; and an appreciation and understanding of the wonderful natural world; and

Whereas, Richard Hackmann of Troop 21 successfully completed all of the stringent requirements for Scouting's highest advancement award, the rank of Eagle Scout, which will be bestowed upon him during an Eagle Court of Honor on May 27, 2003; and

Whereas, attainment of the Eagle Scout rank is dependent upon the sequential completion of each of the Boy Scout steps of Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, and Life, and expected troop service, a requirement admirably fulfilled by Richard through the billet of Patrol Leader; and

Whereas, diligent labors by Richard earned him twenty-one merit badges, which represent a wide variety of outdoor and citizenship skills and which are proudly displayed on his uniform sash as a visual reminder of his accomplishments, and induction into the Order of the Arrow; and

Whereas, in keeping with Boy Scout practice, Richard applied the knowledge which he learned at troop meetings in such camping, hiking, and service activities as a canoe trip through the Boundary Waters in 1999, a journey to Colorado in 1998, Europe in 2000 and Assateague Island in 2001, and a Bahamas sailing excursion in 2002; and

Whereas, Richard planned and carried out a required Eagle Service Project which consisted of construction of a large bookcase for the history department at Clayton High School to serve as a capstone to his Scouting activities and to stand as a permanent reminder of his willingness to serve others, the diverse talents which he has honed so successfully in his young life, and the esteemed role that the Boy Scout organization plays in his community, state, and nation:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the outstanding achievements realized by Richard Hackmann during his ten-year-long sojourn with Scouting and to congratulate him for having the drive and energy necessary to attain the rank of Eagle; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for new Eagle Scout Richard Hackmann, son of Frank and Susan Hackmann of Clayton.

Offered by _____
Representative Margaret Donnelly
District No. 73

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2827, adopted May 13, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker